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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

BOX FEE AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, mailed on September 26, 2002 (Paper No. 9), setting a three-month term for response, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

In the Specification:

On page 2, cancel the paragraph starting at line 37, and replace it with the following new paragraph:

Purification and sequence analysis of the EGF-like domain has revealed the presence of six conserved cysteine residues which cross-bind to create three peptide loops, Savage et al., J. Biol. Chem. 248: 7669-7672 (1979). It is now generally known that several other peptides can react with the EGF receptor which share the same

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